Steam Turbine unit-I (110 MW) March, 1993

Steam Turbine unit-I I (110 MW) July, 1993

The project will require investment approval by the Government.

(iii) Gandhar Gas Based Power Project-(650MW)

The commissioning schedule are as follows:-

Gas Turbine Unit-I: 24 months after date of award of main plant.

Subsequent gas turbines at 2 months intervals each thereafter.

Steam Turbine Unit-I: 36 months from the date of award of main plant and Steam Turbine Unit-II, 4 months thereafter.

(b) The allocation of Power from the Central Sector generating stations amongst the beneficiary State/UTs is decided in accordance with the Central formula for allocation of power. Allocation of power to Madhya Pradesh from these projects will be decided in due course according to this formula.

[English]

Shortage of Petrol and LPG in Andhra Pradesh

6440. SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU:
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an acute shortage of petrol and LPG in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to meet the shortage?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(a) and (c). Does not arise.

Funds for Development of Sabarimala and Erumely, Kerala

6441. SHRI P.C. THOMAS:Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria for allotment of central funds for tourism to States;

(b) whether there is any limit for total amount that can be allotted for any tourism project approved by the State Governments;

(c) the details of projects for which central funds have been allotted for tourism projects of Kerala during the last three years; and

(d) whether the Union Government have allocated funds for development of Sabarimala and Erumely the famous pilgrimages in Kerala?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) The Central Department of Tourism extends financial assistance on the basis of specific proposals received from the State Governments for development of tourism infrastructure, subject to availability of funds, their merit and inter-se priorities.

(b) There is no limit for total amount that can be allotted for any tourism project. However, availability of funds, merit and

inter-se priorities are the guiding principles.

(c) During the last three years, the Central Department of Tourism have sanctioned funds for the following projects in Kerala:-

1988-89

Wayside amenities at five places, a beach resort at Varkala and forest lodge at Neyyar Dam.

1989-90

Wayside amenities at two locations, a tourist resort at Athirapally, Yatri Niwas at Cannanore and support to organise Elephant March.

1990-91

Visitor's centre at Trivandrum, tourist lodge at Vaikom, purchase of tents, upgradation of properties, signage system, floodlighting of monuments, support for Nishagandhi dance festival and Elephant March.

(d) No, Sir.

Taking over Printing and Publicity Jobs carried from ITDC

6442. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Tourism has taken back the job of printing and publicity from India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) in contravention of the recommendations of the Committee on Public Undertakings and the earlier decision taken by the Government in regard to the transfer of publicity activities of the Tourism Department to the ITDC; and

(b) if so, the factual position in this regard and the details of steps taken in matter and reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). No Sir. From 1985-86, assistance of other agencies has also been enlisted to undertake the printing and publicity work of the Department, as ITDC could not single-handedly manage the quantum of work within the time schedules and specifications prescribed due to increased work load and budgetary allocation.

Bridge at Karimganj

6443. SHRI DWARAKA NATH DAS:Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct an overbridge at station road Karimganj(Assam) in view of high density of traffic there; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise. However, the Border Roads Task Force Authorities have proposed a by-pass road near Karimganj Station which provides for construction of two road-overbridges at the points where the by-pass road will cross the railway lines.

[*Translation*]

Gas based Power Plant at Patna

6444. SHRI SURYA NARAYAN SINGH: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state: